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IMIDAZOLE DERIVATIVES AND THEIR  
USE IN PHARMACEUTICS

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

and

ELECTION OF SPECIES

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SIR:

In response to the Restriction/Election of Species Requirement mailed March 5, 2007,  
Applicants provisionally elect Group I, drawn to compounds, example 54 on page 84, and  
rheumatoid arthritis for the specific disease.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 2 of this paper.